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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE ON PANAMA CANAL

1. PRESIDENT DESIRES TO SEND FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO HEADS OF GOVERNMENT OF AMERICAN REPUBLICS REPRESENTED AT SEPTEMBER 7, 1977, PANAMA TREATY SIGNING CEREMONY, AND TO OTHER CANAL USER COUNTRIES WHICH SENT MESSAGES OF CONGRATULATION AT THAT TIME AND AFTER SENATE APPROVAL. UNLESS YOU PERCEIVE OBJECTION, PLEASE DELIVER AT EARLIEST APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY TO PRIME MINISTER MULDOON.

2. QUOTE: DEAR MR PRIME MINISTER: WITH APPROVAL BY THE UNITED STATES SENATE OF THE TWO PANAMA CANAL TREATIES OF 1977, AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE TREATIES BY THE GOVERNMENT OF PANAMA, THE TWO GOVERNMENTS CAN NOW INITIATE A NEW  
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COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIP IN OPERATING AND PROTECTING THE CANAL AS THE TREATIES PROVIDE.

3. I DEEPLY APPRECIATED YOUR CONGRATULATORY LETTER OF SEPTEMBER 8 AS WELL AS YOUR GOVERNMENT'S SUPPORT AS WE HAVE MOVED TOWARD THIS HAPPY RESULT. YOUR SUPPORT HAS CONTRIBUTED MATERIALLY TO THE SOLUTION OF A DIFFICULT

INTERNATIONAL PROBLEM, TO IMPROVED WESTERN HEMISPHERE

RELATIONS, TO THE FACILITATION OF WORLD COMMERCE, AND  
THUS TO WORLD PEACE. SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER. UNQUOTE.  
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